

Nomura SPARX Investment Announces Investment in Synspec

Tokyo, March 29, 2022—Nomura SPARX Investment, Inc. (NSPI), a subsidiary of Nomura Holdings, Inc., today announced that an investment corporation managed by NSPI, has acquired shares in Synspec Inc. (Synspec).

Synspec provides one-stop solutions using SAR¹ satellite observation data to steadily move the world forward. Applying the results of the ImPACT program² (led by the Cabinet Office, Government of Japan), Synspec is building a constellation of high-frequency, high-resolution SAR satellites to provide data and solutions to government and commercial outfits.

The company aims to establish a constellation of 30 SAR satellites that enable wide-area, high-frequency earth observation by around 2026. Through the efficient allocation of capital by Synspec and the application of data obtained using its small SAR satellites, NSPI looks forward to seeing the lives of people around the world improve in the future.

As part of its commitment to contribute to Japan's economic growth, NSPI will continue to support start-up companies by making use of the relationships and networks developed by Nomura Group and SPARX Group.

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Nomura SPARX Investment

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¹ SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar) satellites use microwaves that enable 24-hour observation of the Earth's surface, regardless of cloud conditions.

² ImPACT is a program led by the Cabinet Office of Japan, which encourages high-risk, high-impact R&D with the aim to create disruptive innovation that brings about change in society and industry.

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